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静止した世界に、
錆びた思い出が
顕現する。



かつて止界の中で、家族を奪われた間島。
再び止界に戻ってきた間島の目的は、神ノ離忍と
なってしまった家族を捜しだし、解放することにあった。
しかし、“霊回忍を追い出す力”を持つ樹里が
いなければ、その目的は果たせない。
瞬間移動能力を持つ祖父と逃亡を続ける樹里は、
そんな間島の必死の叫びを聞く……。
そして、佐河の非情な実験により、またも現れる神ノ離忍。
緊張状態の中、間島の心は甘く軋んでいた。

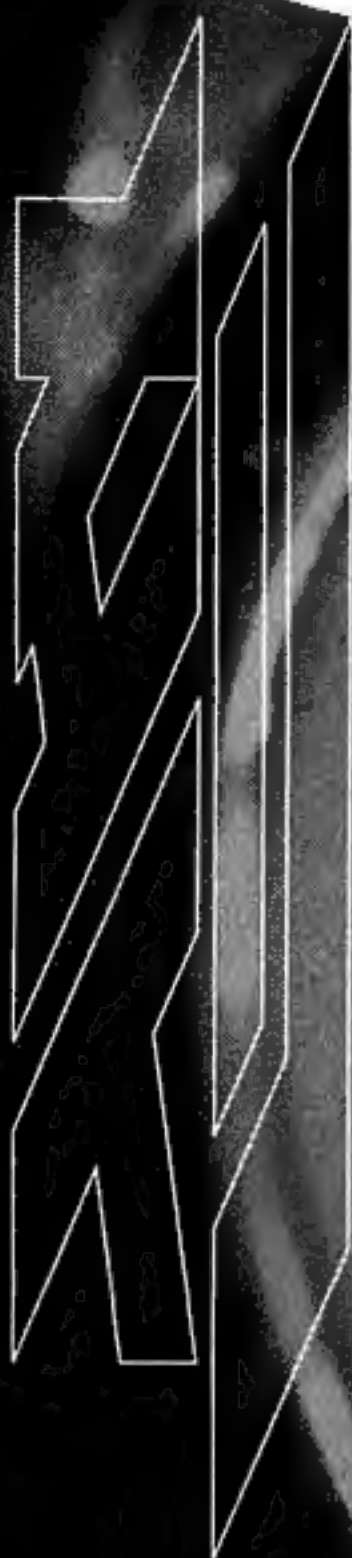




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THE EMISSARY :
THIS STRANGELY SHAPED
MONSTER APPEARS WHEN
MOVING PEOPLE TRY TO
HARM A FROZEN. HE THEN
AIMS DIRECTLY FOR THE ILL
INTENDED PERSON'S HEAD,
APPARENTLY REACTING TO
THE BRAIN WAVES CREATED
BY THE INTENT TO KILL. THE
OLD YUKAWA CALLS HIM
"THE OVERSEER".

KOKKOKU

The Characters

SAGAWA :
THE LEADER OF
THE GENUINE
LOVE SOCIETY.
A MANIPULATIVE
MAN WHO TRIES
TO PUT HIS
KNOWLEDGE
OF THE STATIC
WORLD INTO
PRACTICE TO
ACHIEVE HIS
GOAL.

MAJIMA :
MYSTERIOUS
WOMAN ASSOCIATED
WITH THE GENUINE
LOVE SOCIETY. WHEN
SHE WAS A CHILD,
SHE GOT LOST WITH
HER FAMILY IN THE
STATIC WORLD,
WHERE SHE MET
JURI FOR THE FIRST
TIME. SHE LOST HER
WHOLE FAMILY ON
THAT DAY.

JURI :
THE ELDER
DAUGHTER OF
THE YUKAWA
FAMILY. SHE
ENTERED THE
STATIC WORLD
WITH HER
GRANDFATHER
IN ORDER TO
RESCUE HER
NEPHEW
MAKOTO.

MAKOTO :
THE SON OF SANAÉ,
THE YOUNGER
SISTER OF JURI AND
TSUBASA. ABDUCTED
BY THE HENCHMEN
OF THE GENUINE
LOVE SOCIETY, HE
WANDERS IN THE
STATIC WORLD
AS WELL.

TSUBASA :
THE ELDER SON
OF THE YUKAWA
FAMILY. HE
SCARCELY EVER
COMES OUT
OF HIS HOUSE.
KIDNAPPED
ALONGSIDE
MAKOTO, HE ENDS
UP GETTING LOST
IN THE STATIC
WORLD.

TAKAFUMI :
THE HEAD OF THE
YUKAWA FAMILY.
DESPITE BEING
WORRYINGLY
NONCHALANT,
HE'S BEEN
ABDUCTED BY
THE GENUINE LOVE
SOCIETY IN THE
STATIC WORLD.

GRAMPS : JURI'S
GRANDFATHER. HE
KEPT HIDDEN THE
KNOWLEDGE OF THE
STATIC WORLD FROM
HIS FAMILY, PASSED TO
HIM FROM GENERATION
TO GENERATION. IN THIS
FROZEN WORLD, HE IS
ABLE TO TELEPORT ON A
FEW METERS, HOWEVER
HE CAN'T CONTROL
EXACTLY WHERE HE IS
GOING TO LAND.



C O N T E N T S

12TH MOMENT

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13TH MOMENT

37

14TH MOMENT

67

15TH MOMENT

93

16TH MOMENT

119

17TH MOMENT

143

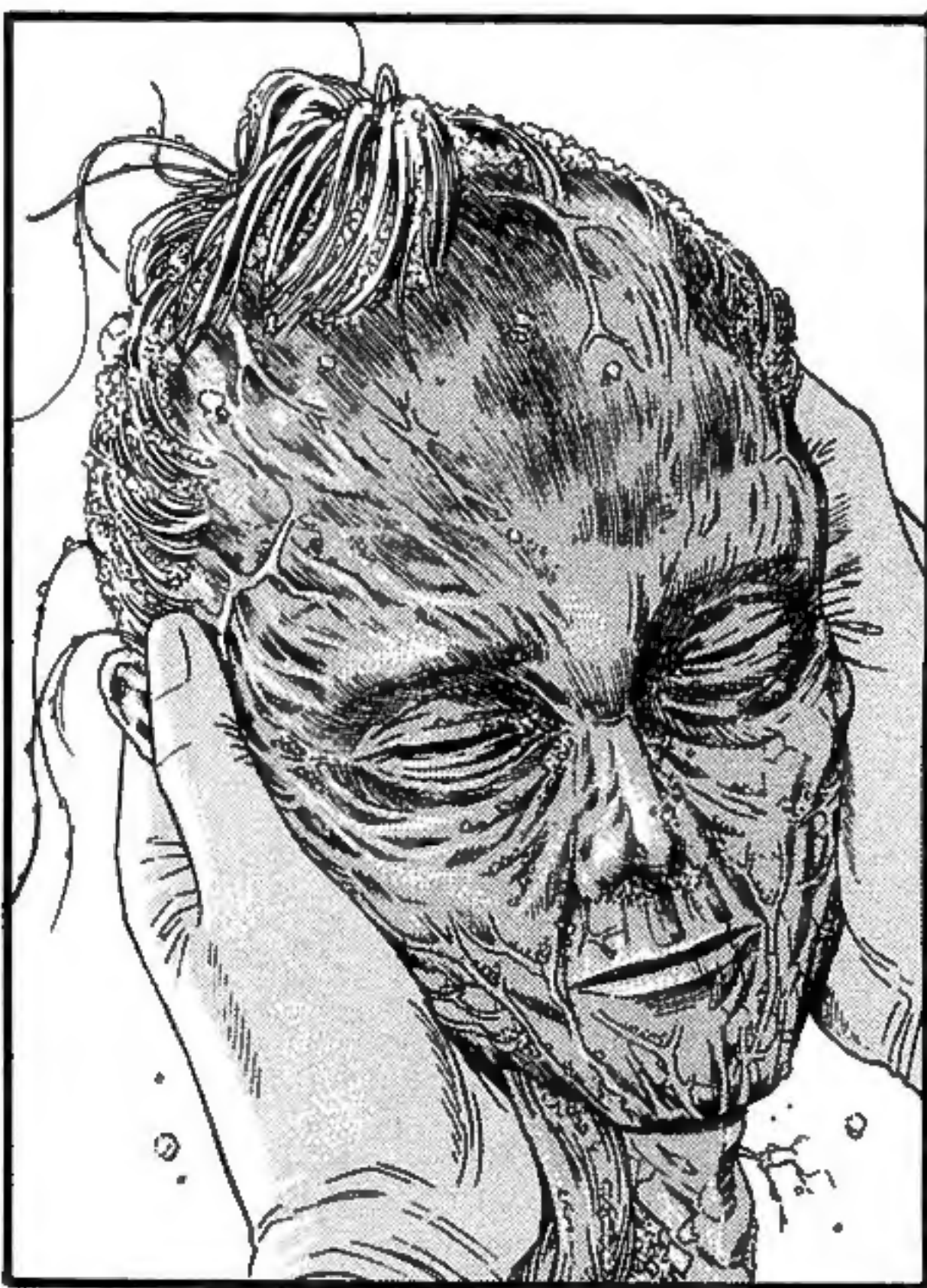
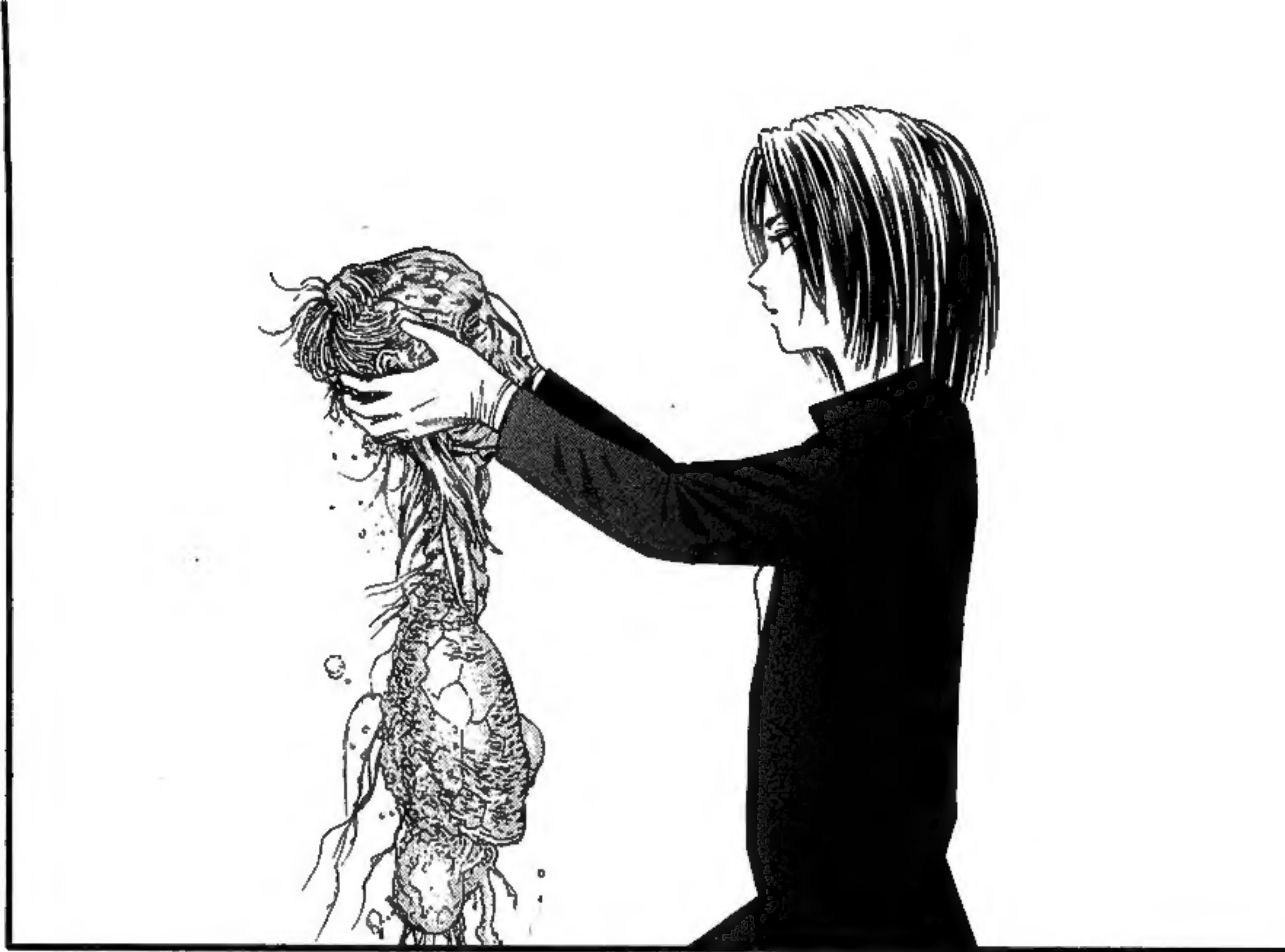
18TH MOMENT

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SFX: PRISH





I WAS
EXPECTING IT,
THOUGH.

IT'S
SOMEBODY
ELSE...



IT'S THAT
MONSTER
THAT GOT
PISSSED OFF
JUST NOW...

WHAT'S
THAT?

A PILE
OF
SAND?

ISN'T
IT?



HAS
HE BEEN
EATEN BY
THE MONS-
TER!?

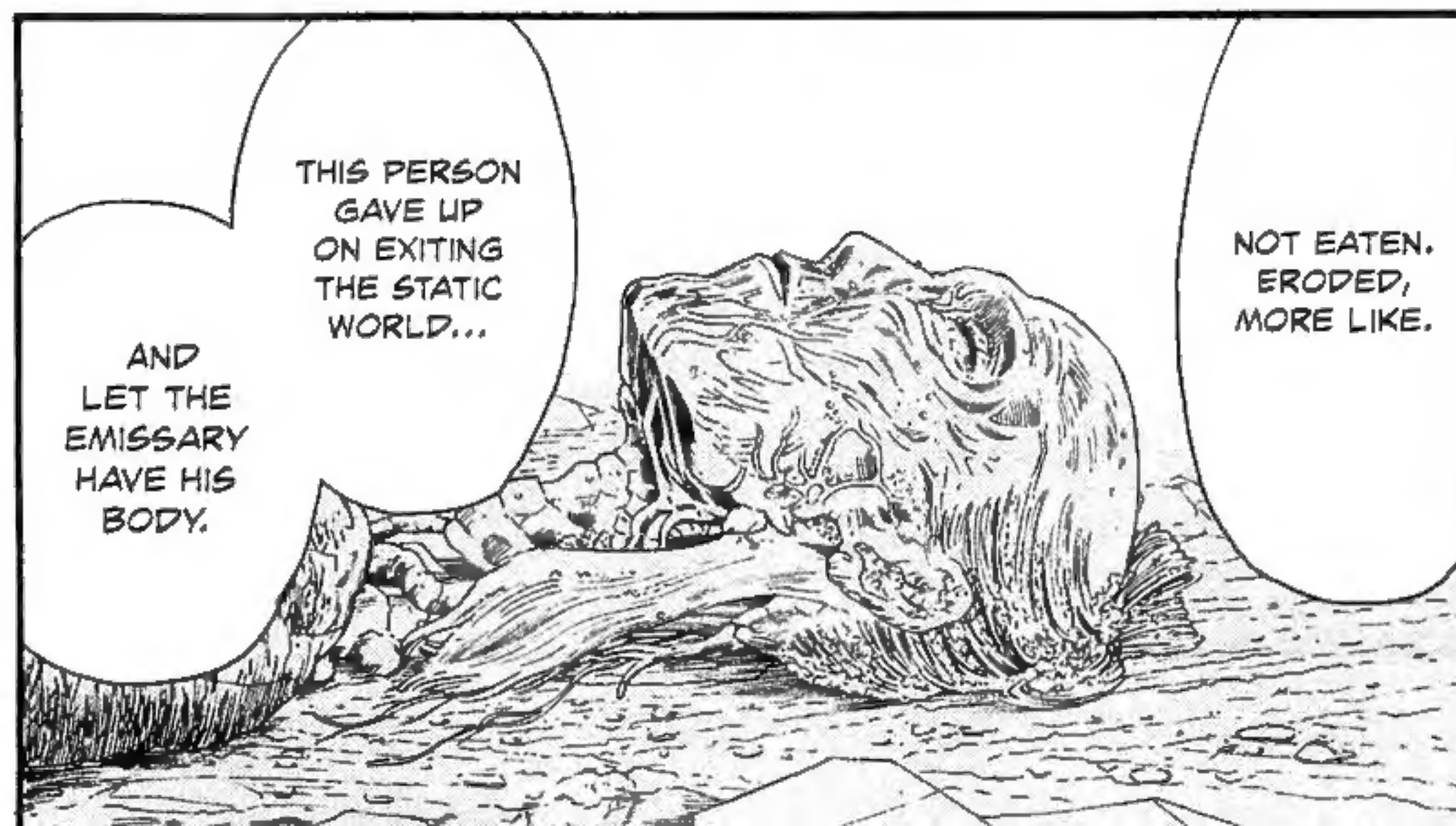
IS THAT
THING...
A HU-
MAN?



IT WON'T
MOVE
ANYMORE.



IT HAS
DEPLETED
ALL OF ITS
ENERGY,
AND THAT
KILLED IT.



THIS PERSON
GAVE UP
ON EXITING
THE STATIC
WORLD...

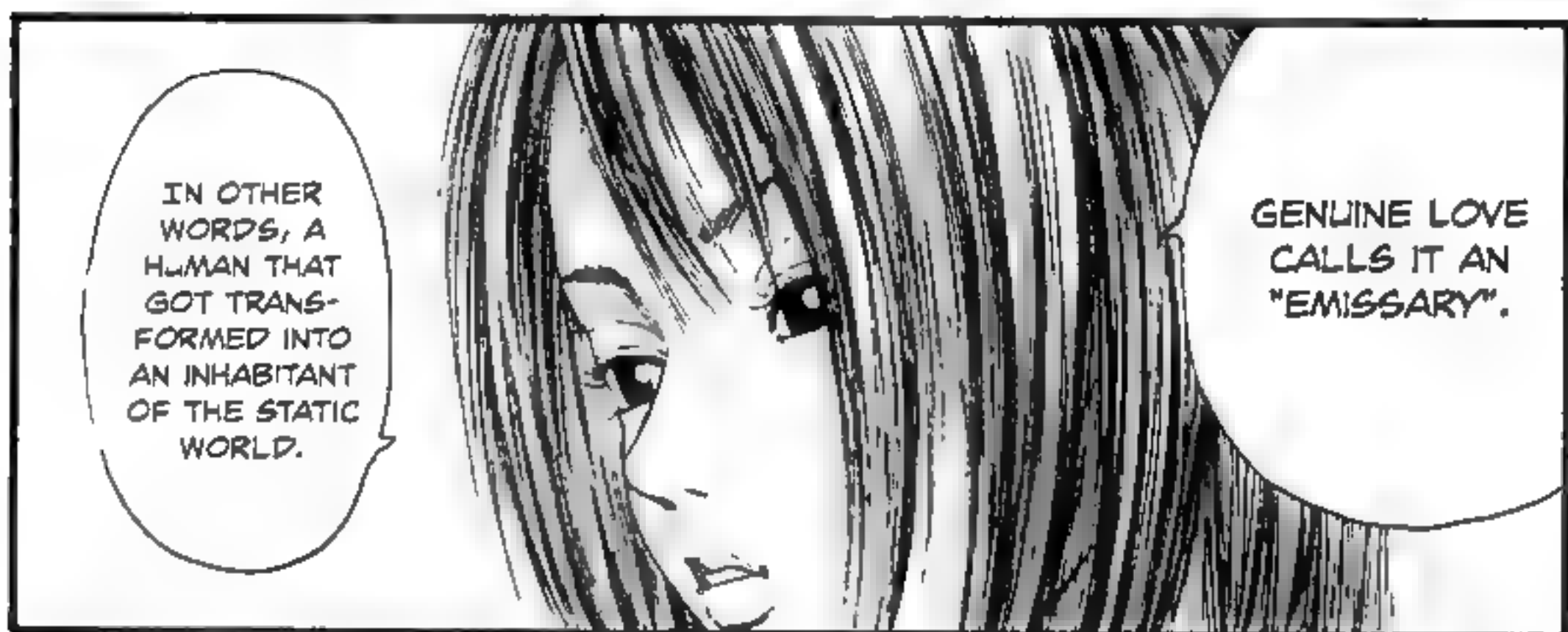
AND
LET THE
EMISSARY
HAVE HIS
BODY.

NOT EATEN.
ERODED,
MORE LIKE.



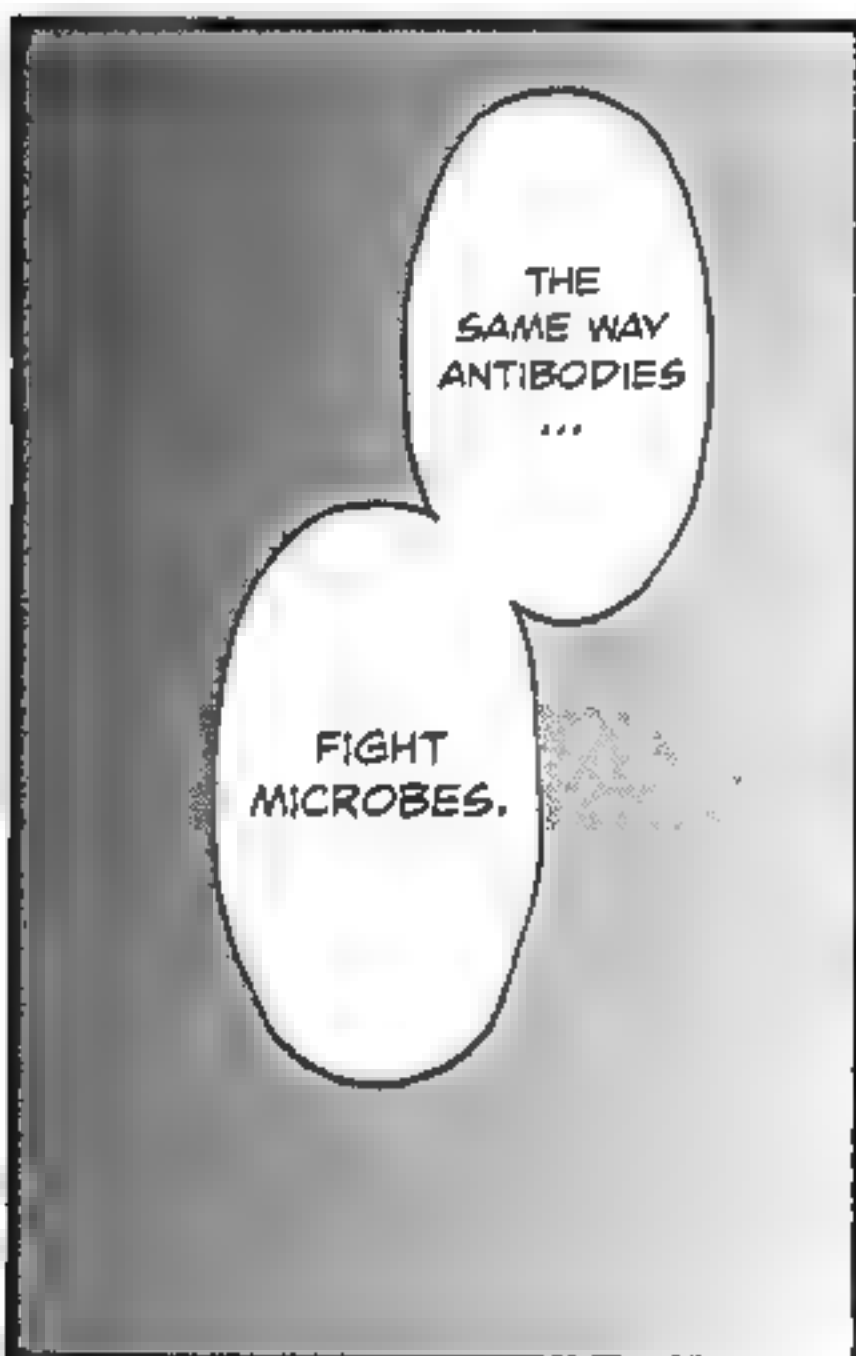
YOU SEEM
TO KNOW A
GREAT DEAL
ABOUT
THOSE
THINGS.

HOLD ON
A MINUTE.



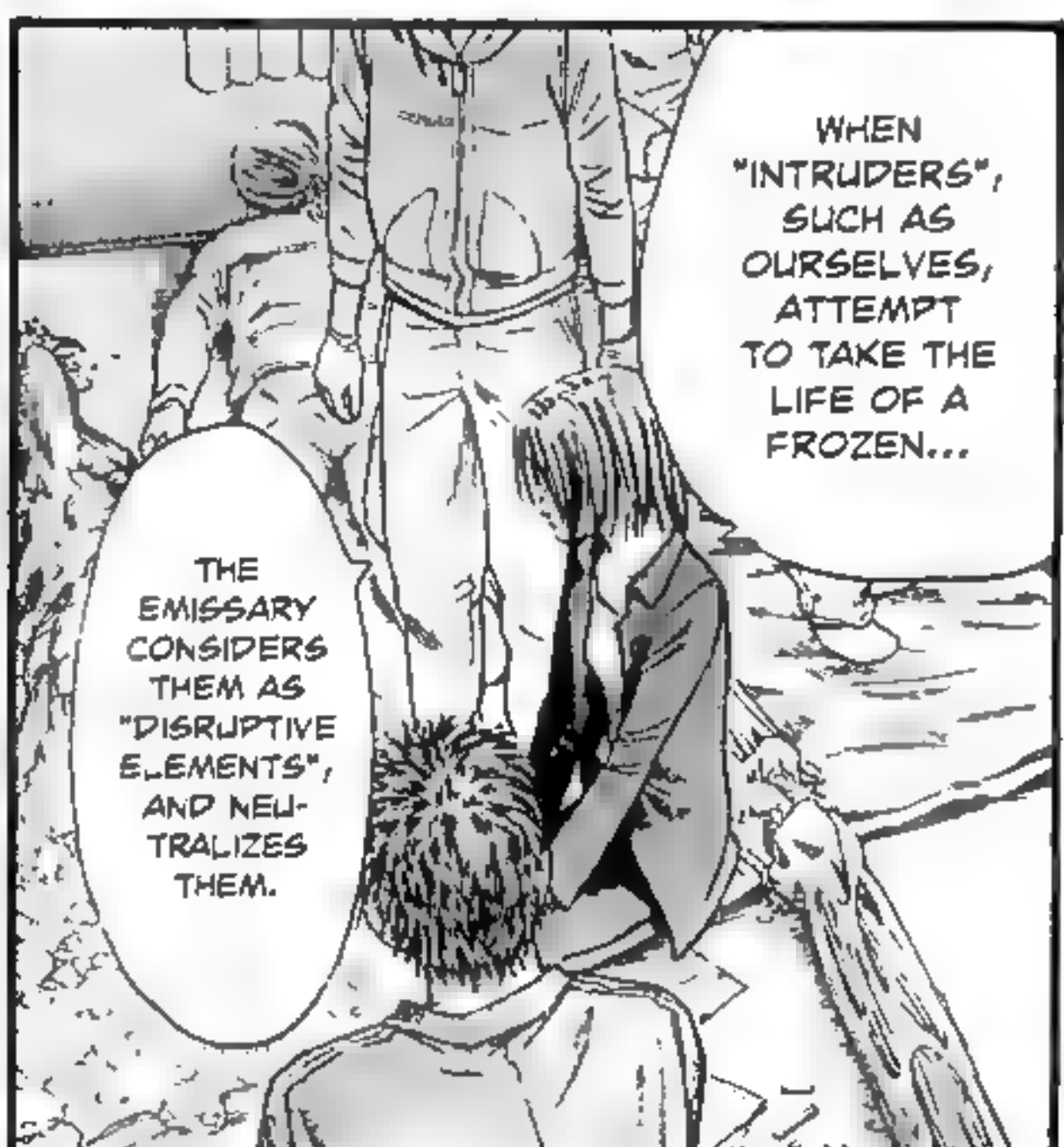
IN OTHER
WORDS, A
HUMAN THAT
GOT TRANS-
FORMED INTO
AN INHABITANT
OF THE STATIC
WORLD.

GENUINE LOVE
CALLS IT AN
"EMISSARY".



THE
SAME WAY
ANTIBODIES
...

FIGHT
MICROBES.



WHEN
"INTRUDERS",
SUCH AS
OURSELVES,
ATTEMPT
TO TAKE THE
LIFE OF A
FROZEN...

THE
EMISSARY
CONSIDERS
THEM AS
"DISRUPTIVE
ELEMENTS",
AND NEU-
TRALIZES
THEM.

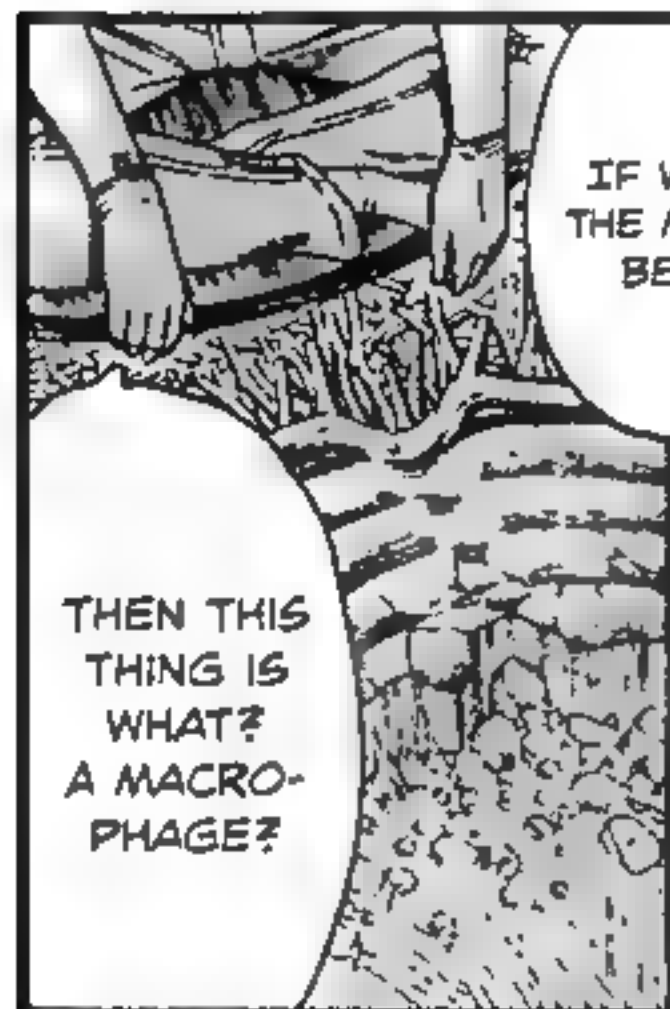
12TH MOMENT





...SAGAWA
TOLD US
NOT TO
TOUCH
THE FRO-
ZEN...

SO THAT'S
WHAT HE
WAS
TALKING
ABOUT.



IF WE'RE
THE MICRO-
BES...

THEN THIS
THING IS
WHAT?
A MACRO-
PHAGE?



...IT'S AS IF
THIS UNIVERSE
HAS A WILL
OF ITS OWN.



srish

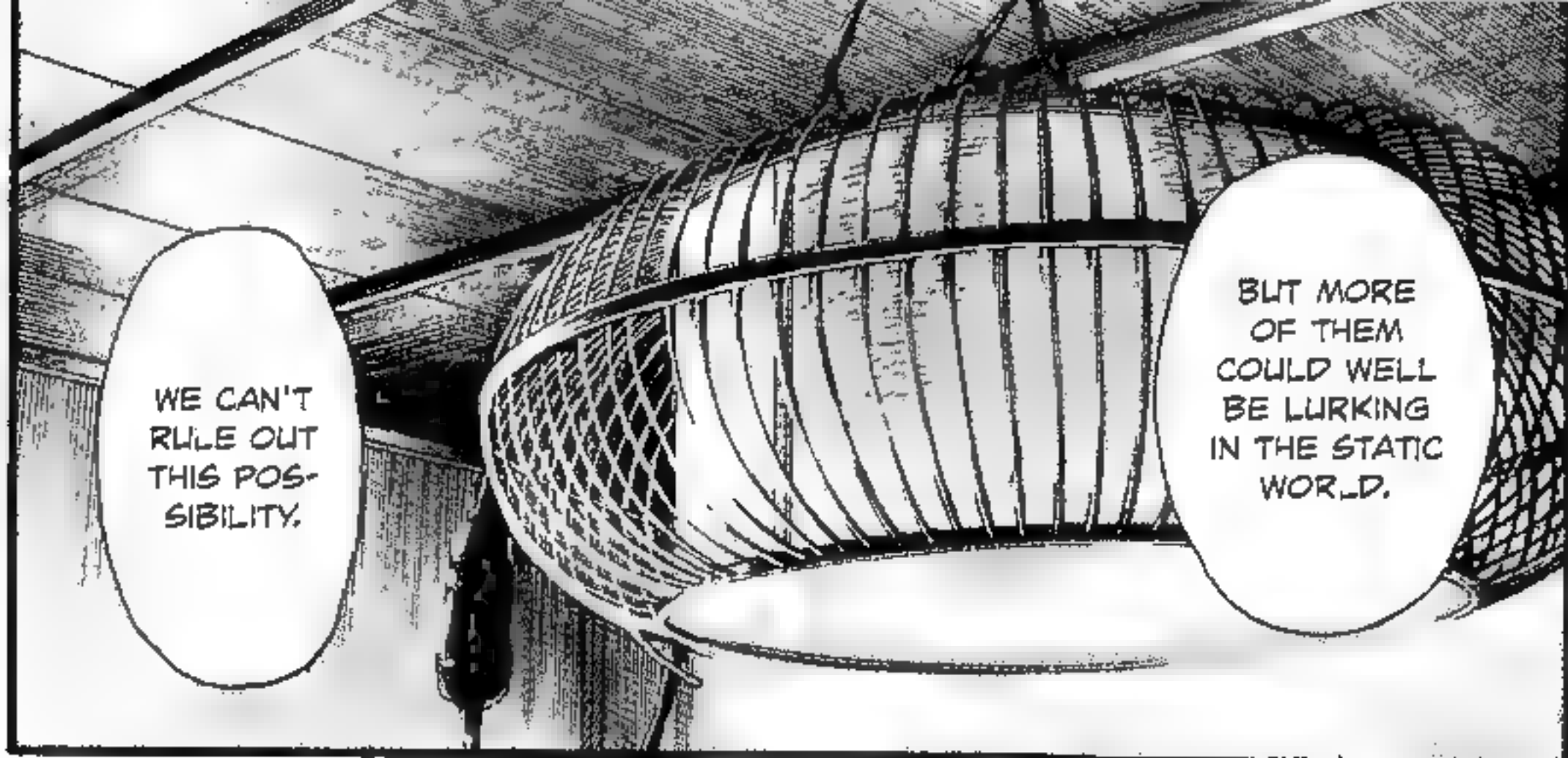


NO IDEA...
ACCORDING
TO THE
GENUINE
LOVE'S
DOGMA,
THERE'S
ONLY ONE
EMISSARY.



IF THIS
HYPOTHESIS
IS CONFIR-
MED...

THEN THERE
MUST BE A
BUNCH OF
THEM, NO?



WE CAN'T
RULE OUT
THIS POS-
SIBILITY.

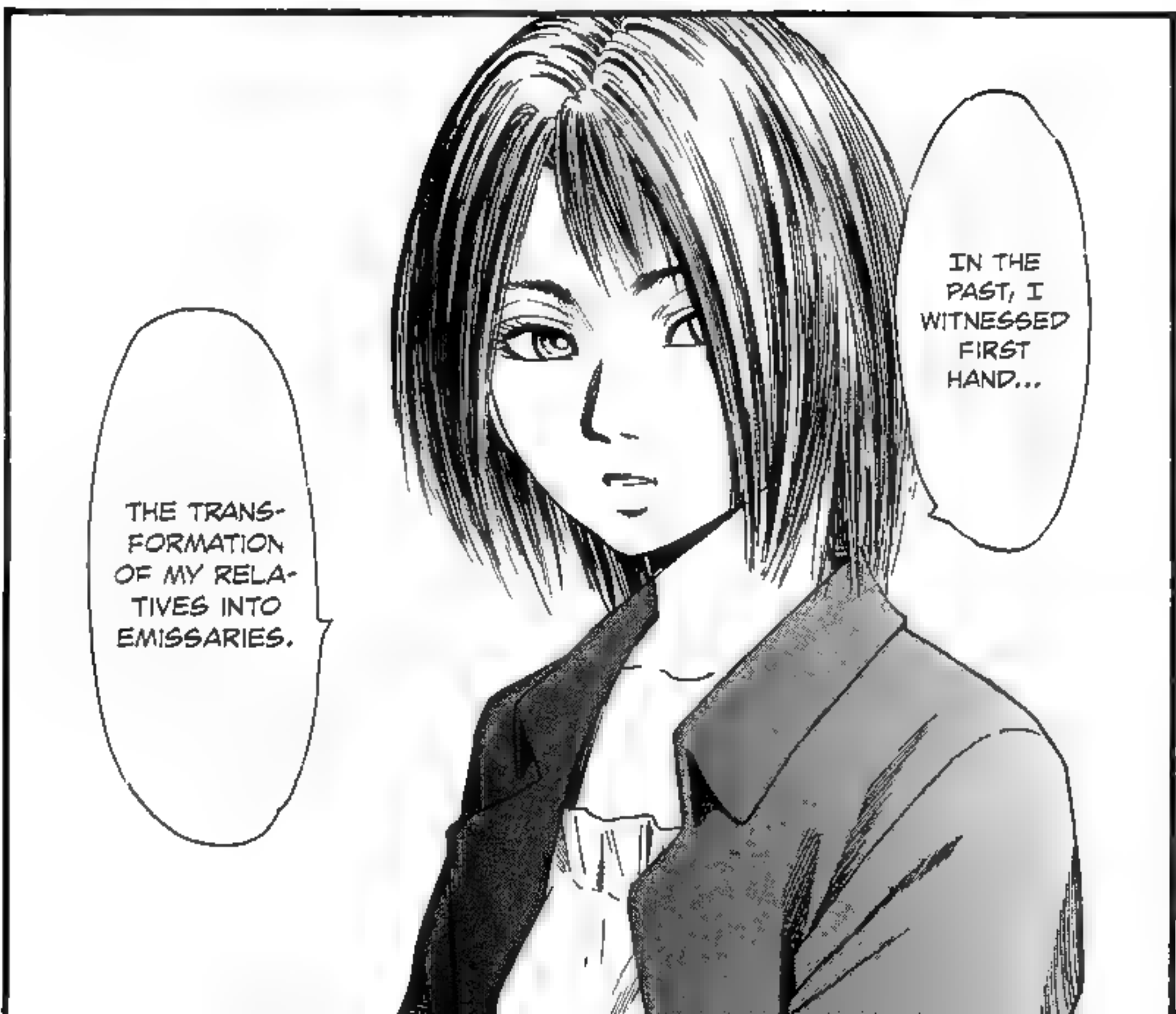
BUT MORE
OF THEM
COULD WELL
BE LURKING
IN THE STATIC
WORLD.



IS THIS
IMPASSIV, TY
THE RESUL
OF YOU
HANGING
OUT WITH
GENUINE
LOVE?

JUST
EARLIER,
YOU EVEN
RUSHED
TOWARDS
THAT
MONSTER.

IN ANY
CASE, I'M
SURPRISED
HOW YOU
KEEP YOUR
COOL.



THE TRANS-
FORMATION
OF MY RELA-
TIVES INTO
EMISSARIES.

IN THE
PAST, I
WITNESSED
FIRST
HAND...

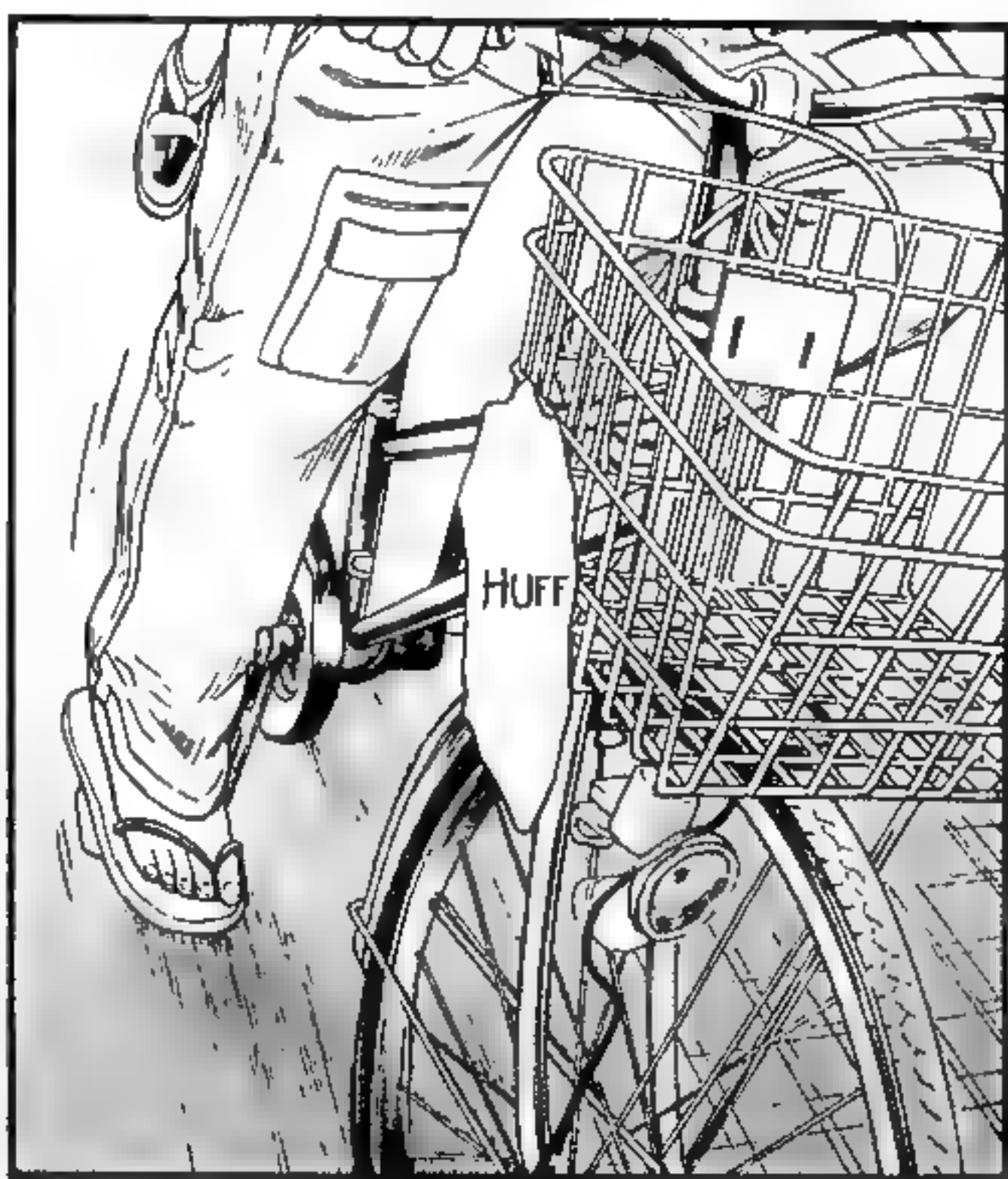


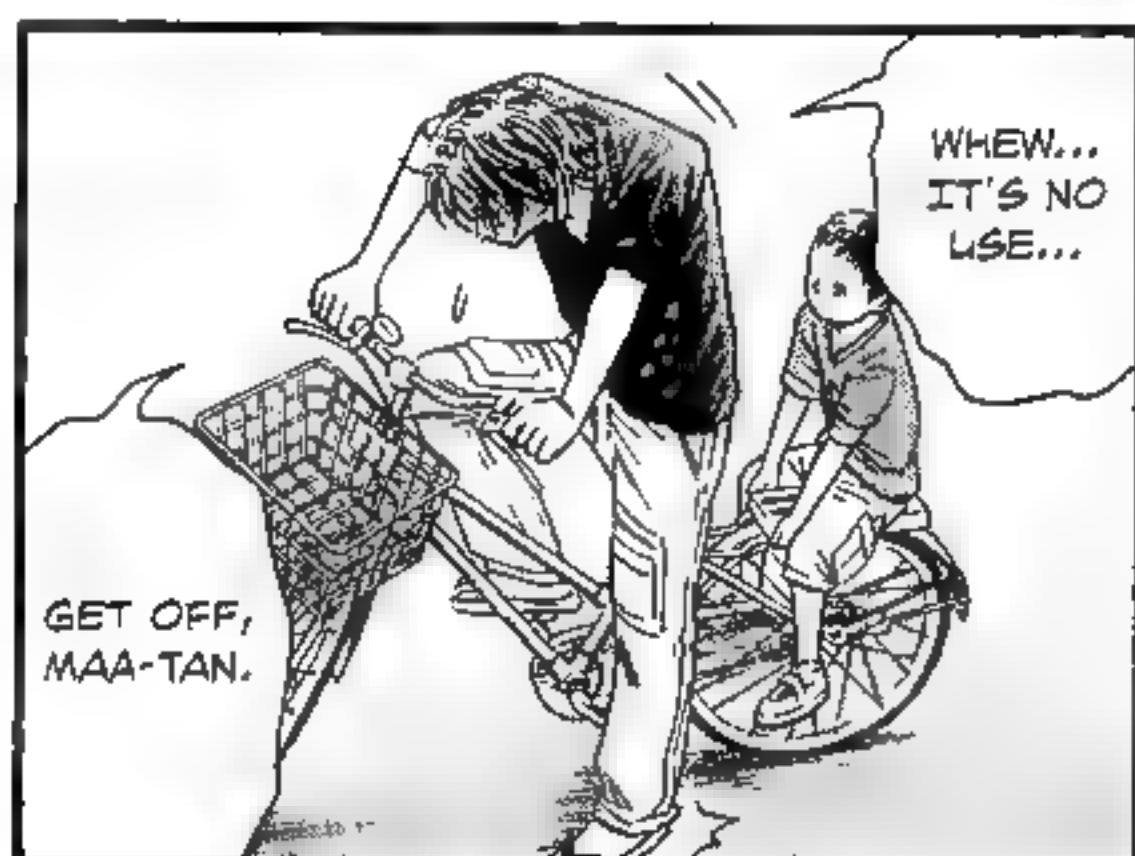


TRAPPED
BY THE
SPELL OF
THE YUKAWA
FAMILY!

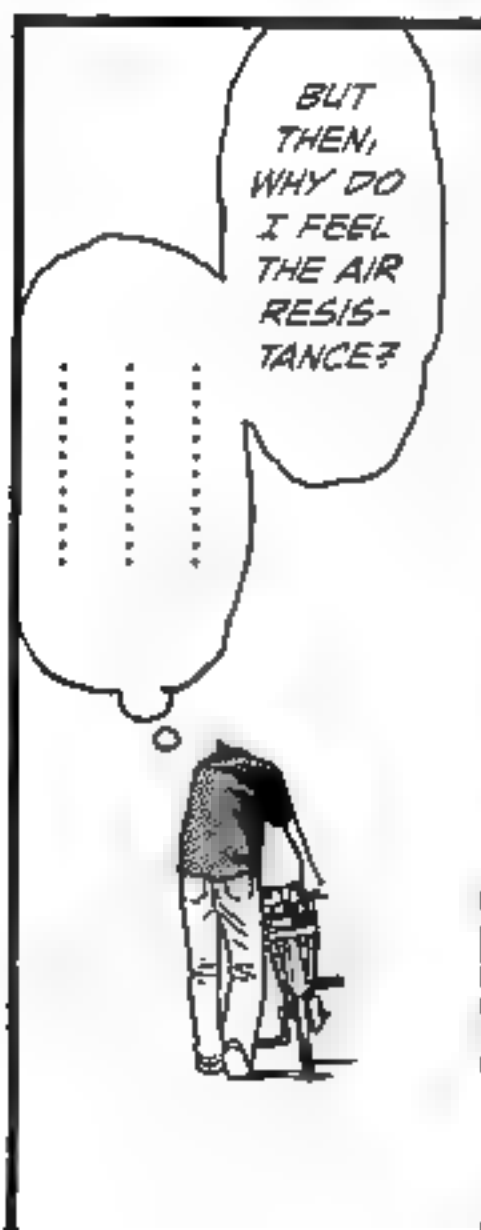


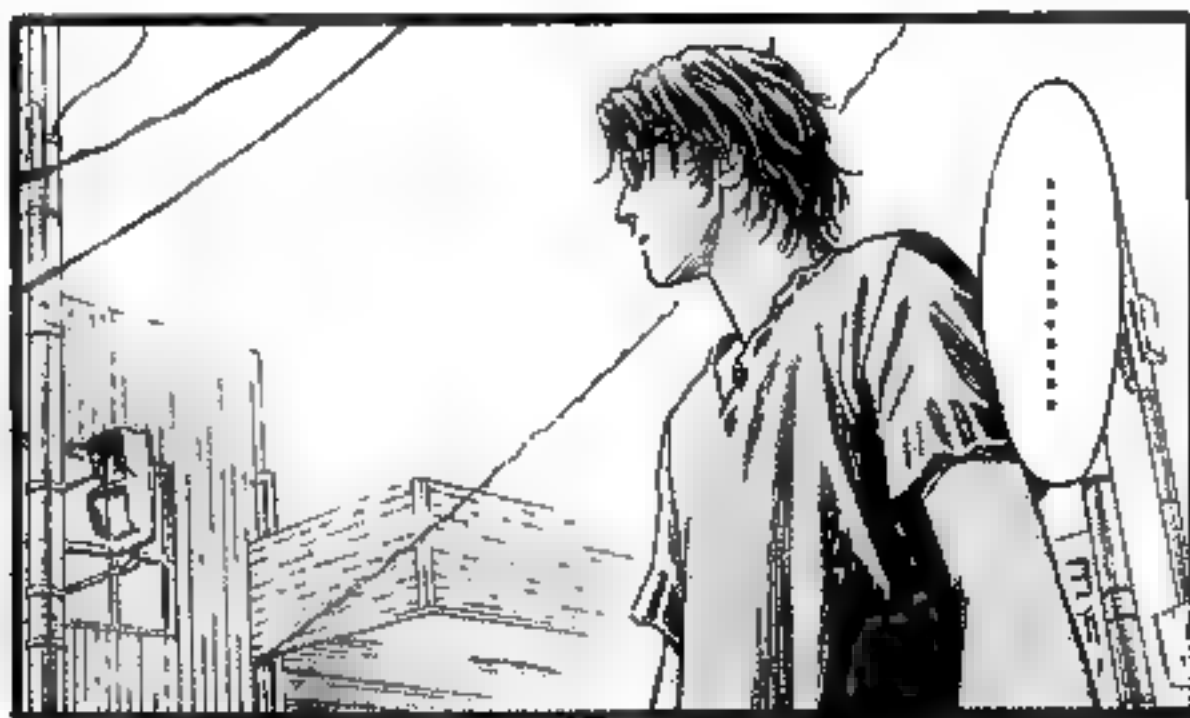
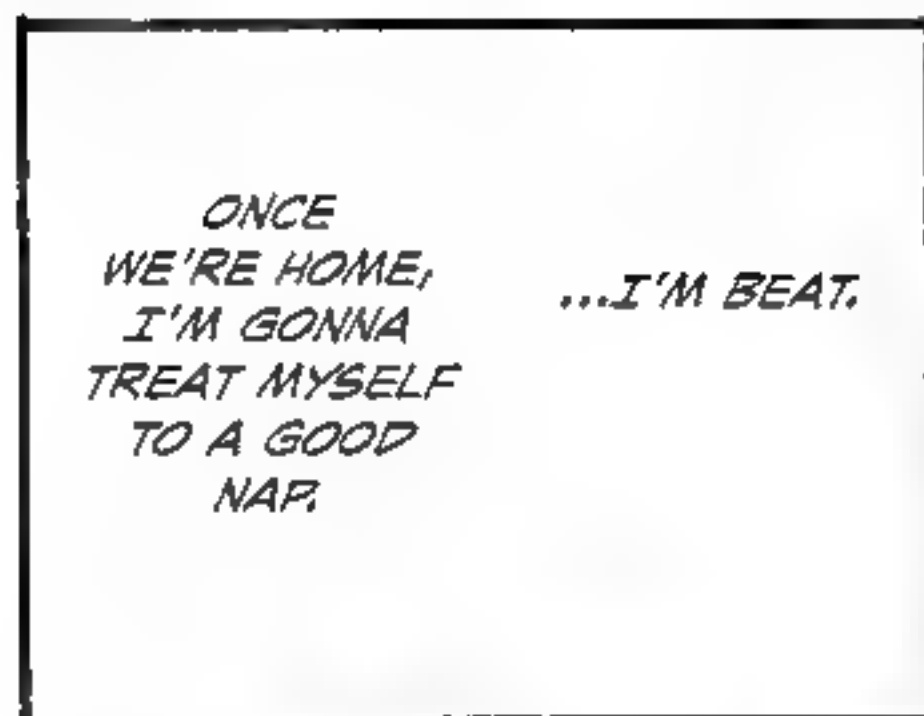
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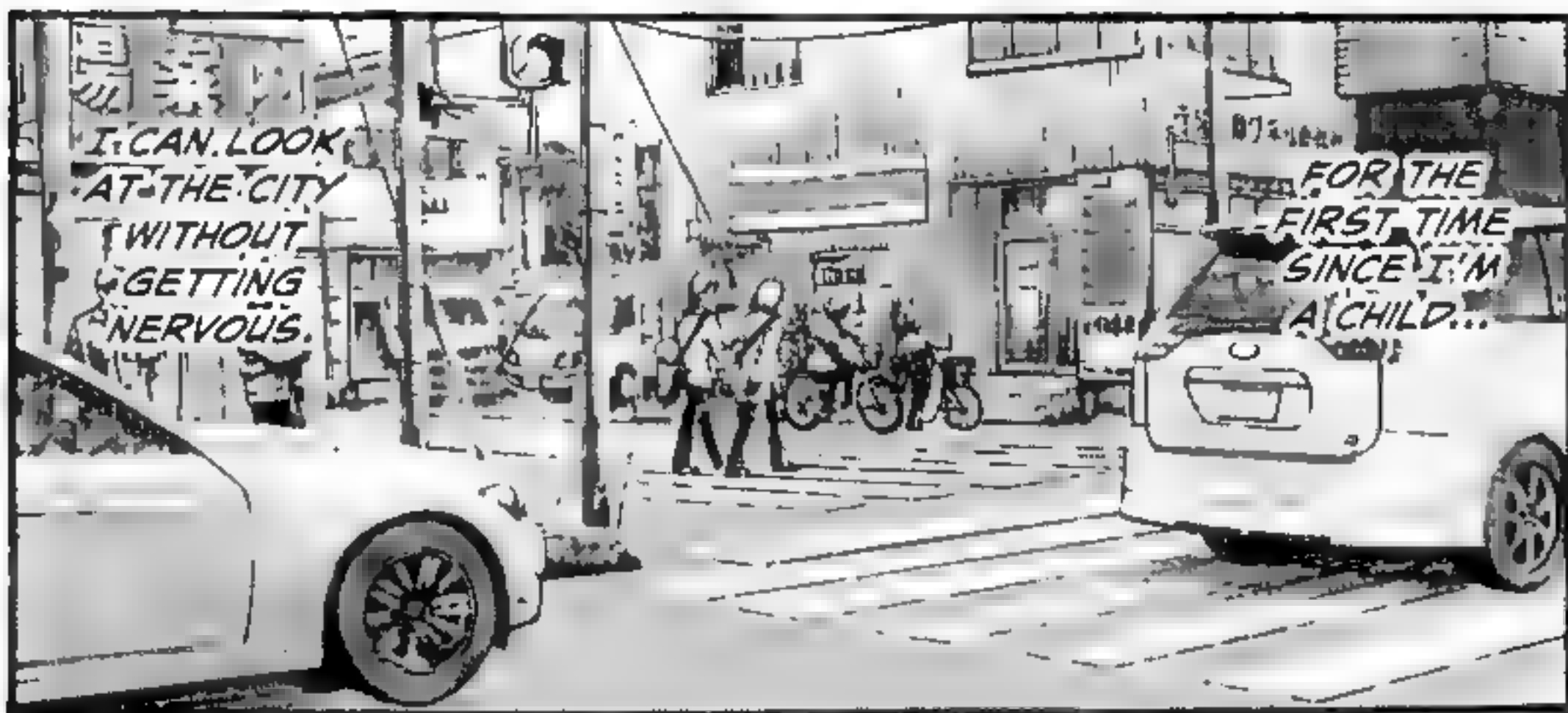
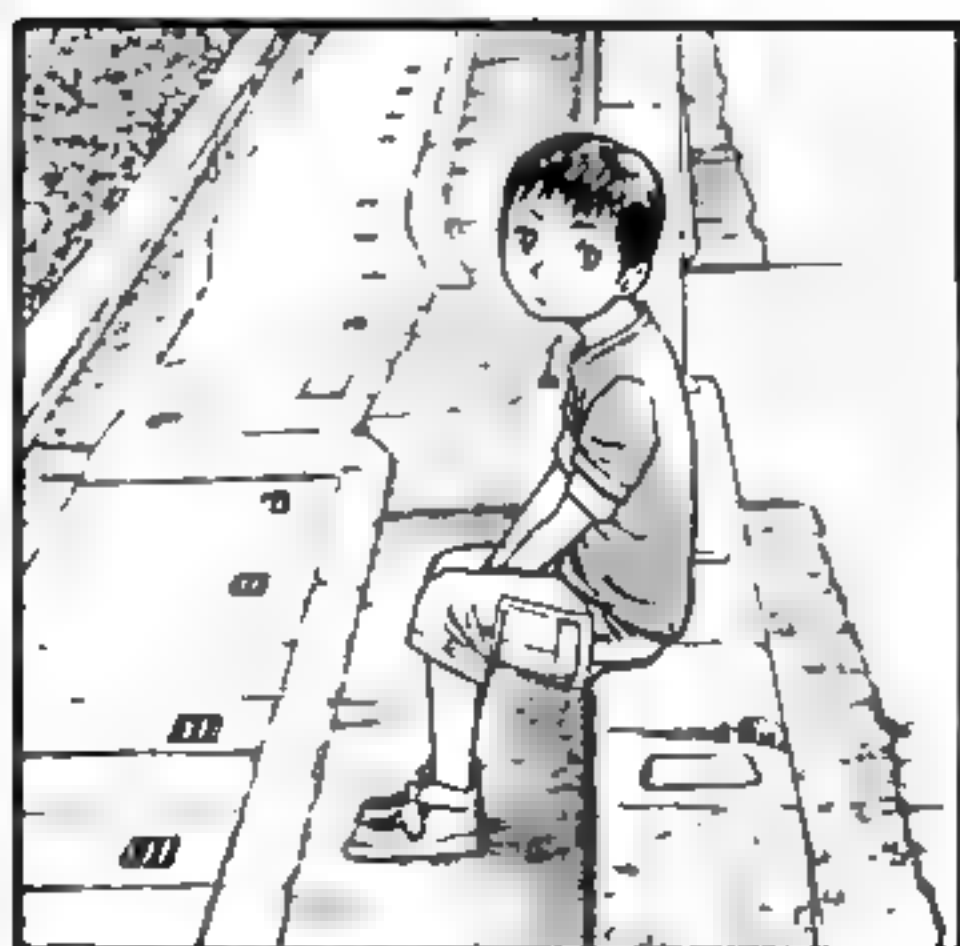


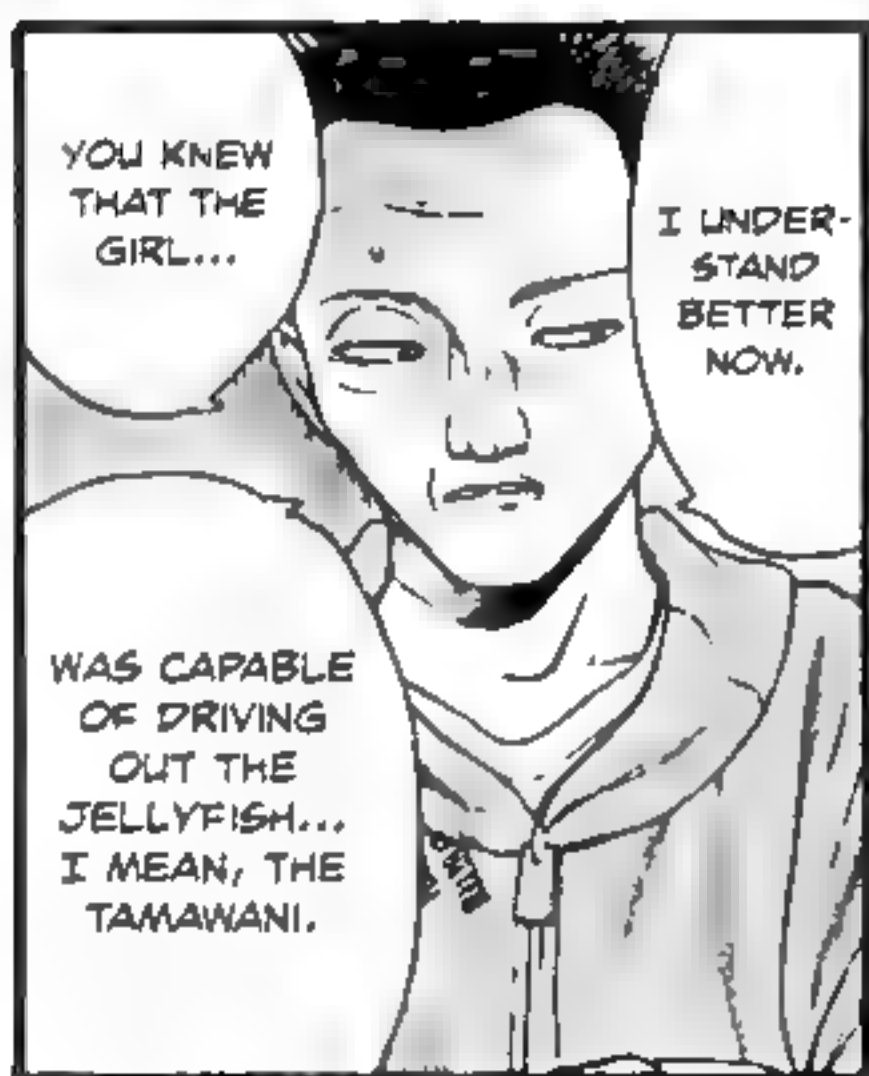


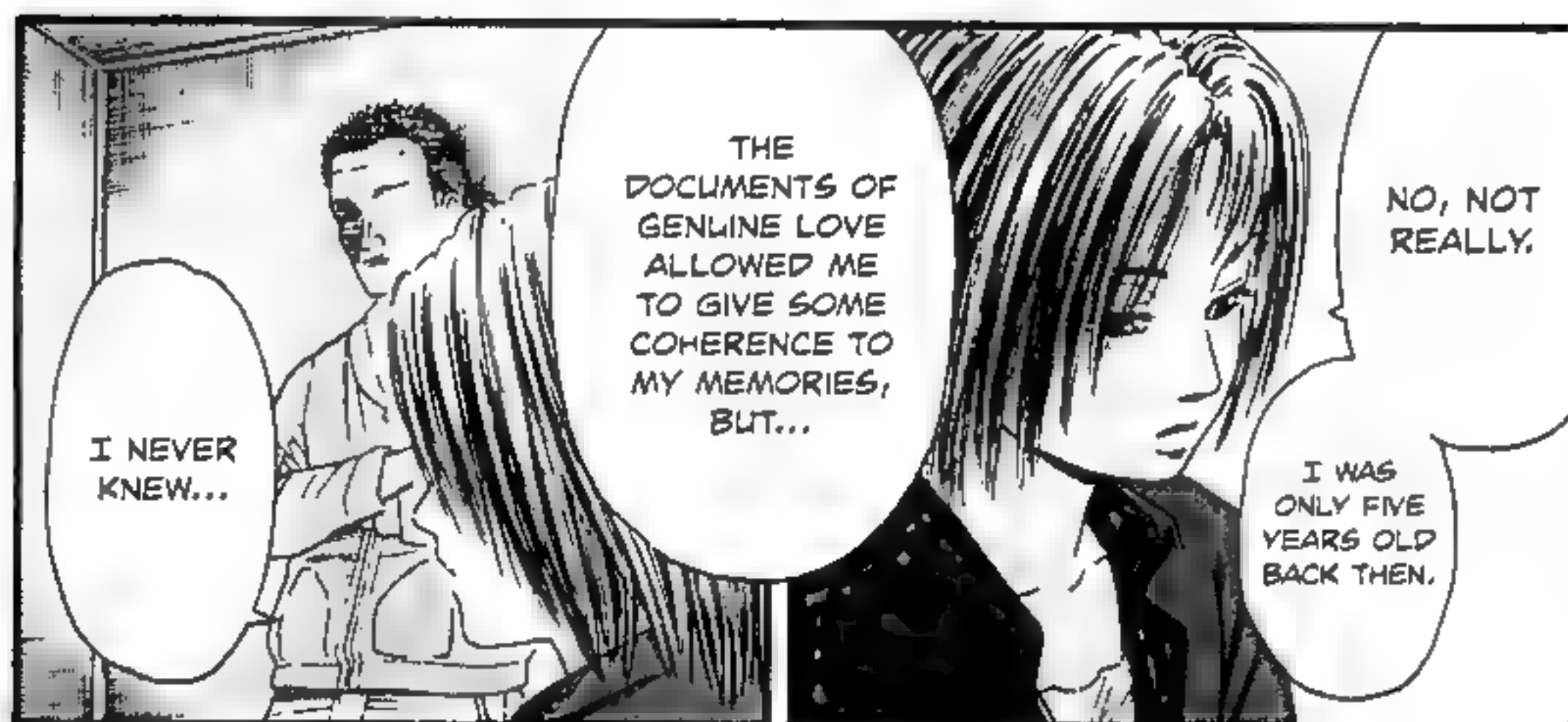
SFX. SQUEAK SQUEAK





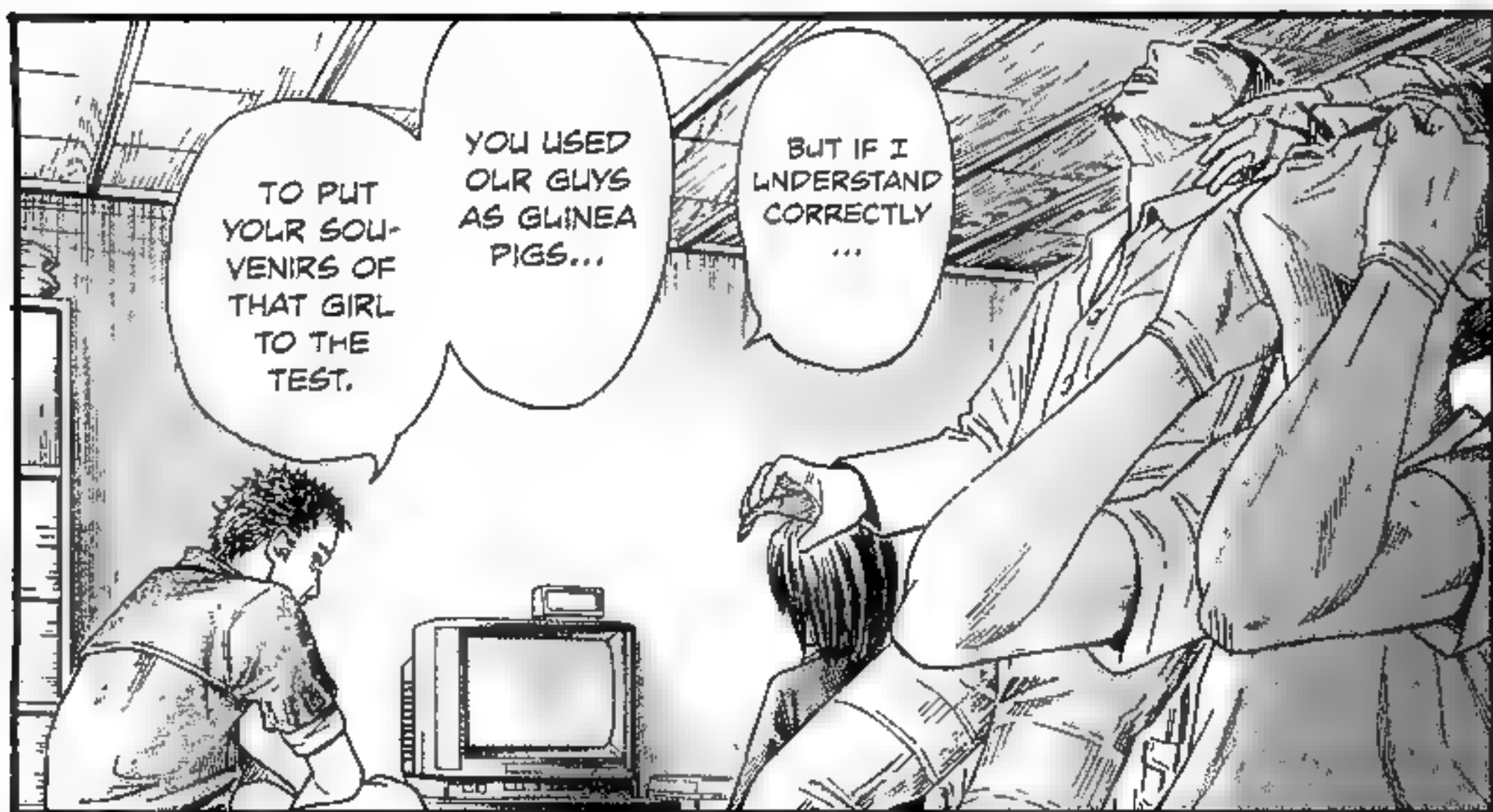






SFX GRAT GRAT





TO PUT
YOUR SOU-
VENIRS OF
THAT GIRL
TO THE
TEST.

YOU USED
OUR GUYS
AS GUINEA
PIGS...

BUT IF I
UNDERSTAND
CORRECTLY
...



YOU HAVE
A BIG SHARE
OF RESPON-
SIBILITY.

IT NEVER
OCCURRED
TO YOU THAT
SHE COULD
ESCAPE
FROM US?



I DON'T
GET IT.
WAS IT
REALLY
WORTH IT?

YOU WANTED
TO THANK
THAT GIRL
FOR GETTING
YOU OUT OF
THE STATIC
WORLD...



I WON'T
DENY IT.

IT'S TRUE
THAT I WANTED
TO BE SURE
OF IT.



FROM THIS
REALM.

I WANT TO
FREE MY
FAMILY...



THEN...
YOU WANT
TO ASK
HER TO...



THE NEXT
EMISSARY
...

COULD BE
A MEMBER
OF MY
FAMILY.

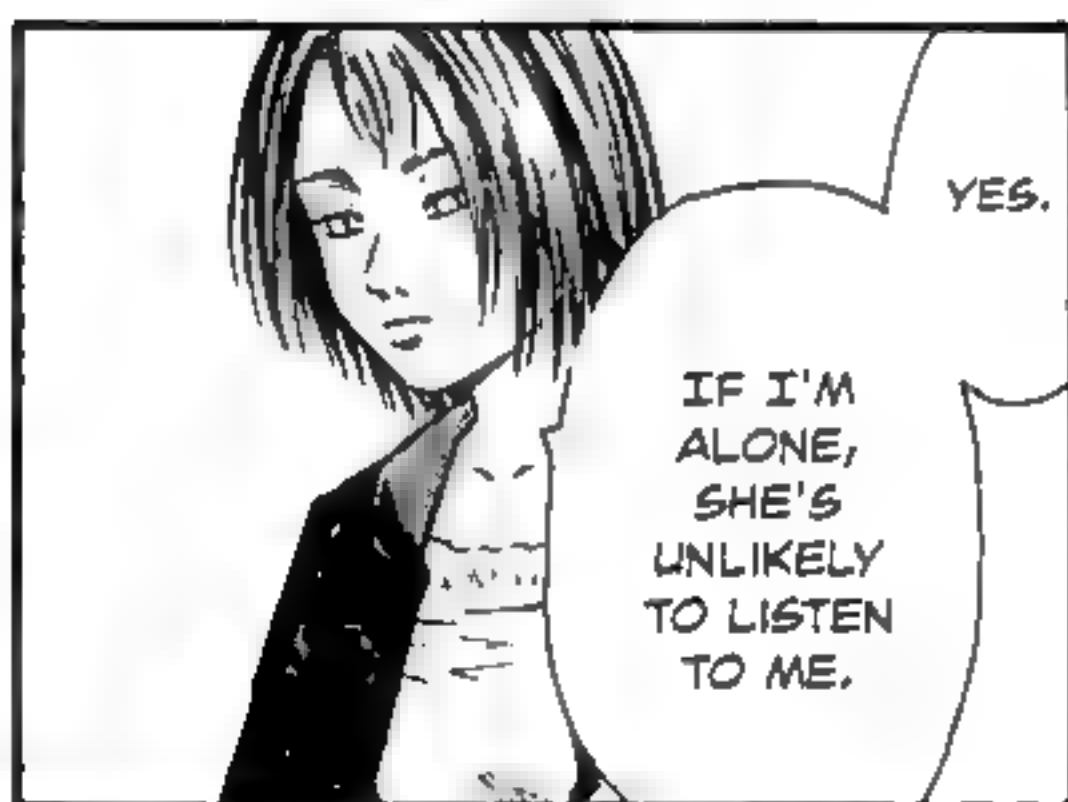






WHAT'S
IN IT
FOR US?

I GUESS
YOU'RE
RIGHT.
OK THEN,
BUT...



YES.

IF I'M
ALONE,
SHE'S
UNLIKELY
TO LISTEN
TO ME.



EVEN SAGAWA
DOESN'T KNOW
HOW HUMANS
CAN TURN INTO
EMISSARIES.

LIKE
WHAT I
EXPLAINED
EARLIER.



I COULD
GIVE YOU
SOME
ADVICE...

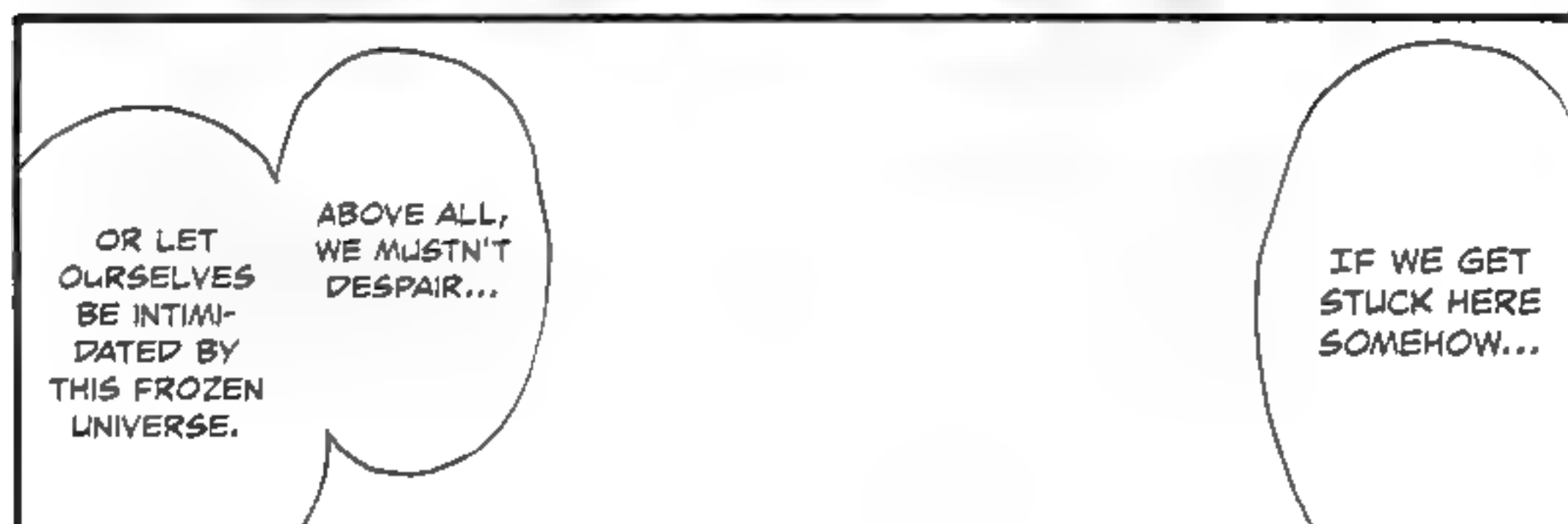
FOR
YOUR
PROTEC-
TION.



DON'T EVER
FORGET THIS
BELIEF.

YEAH.

KATO-SAN,
YOU WERE
SAYING THAT
WE COULD LIVE
IF WE STAYED
IN THE STATIC
WORLD.



OR LET
OURSELVES
BE INTIMI-
DATED BY
THIS FROZEN
UNIVERSE.

ABOVE ALL,
WE MUSTN'T
DESPAIR...

IF WE GET
STUCK HERE
SOMEHOW...

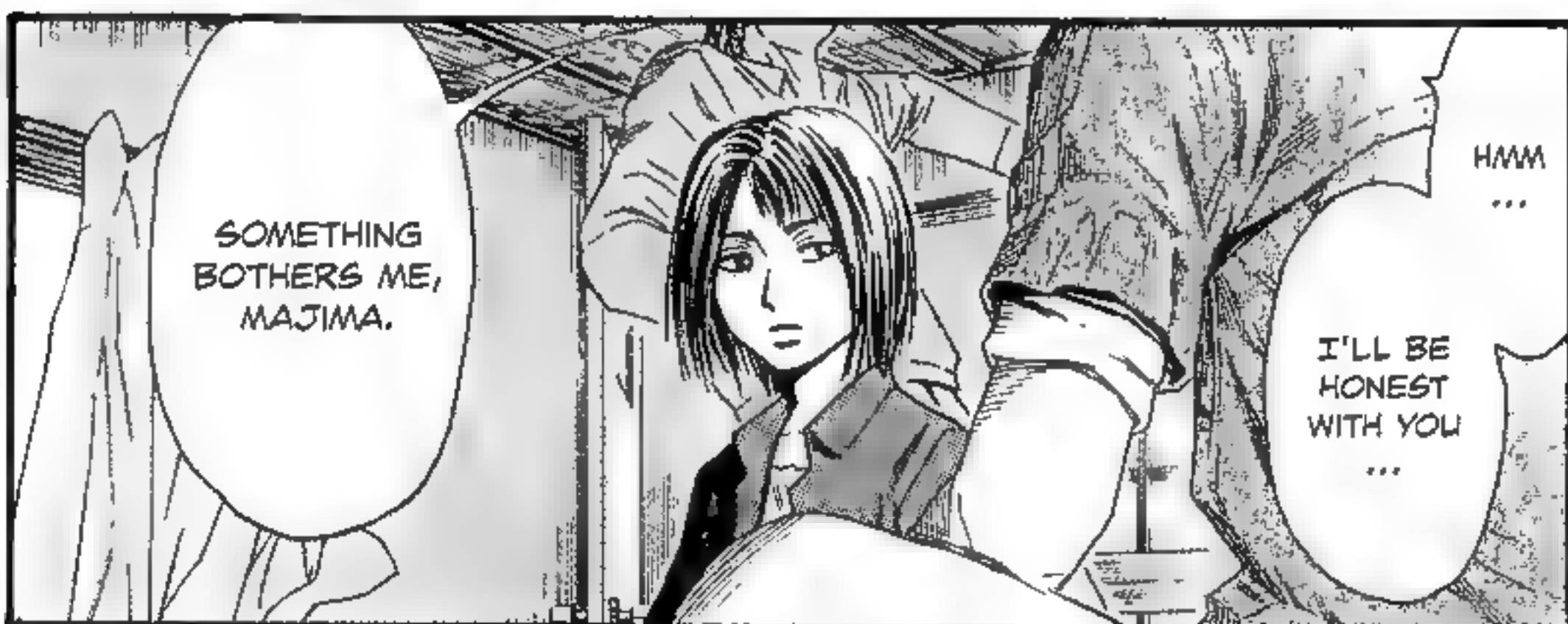


...FOR
REAL?



EVEN THE
HUMANS WHO
CAME HERE
WILLINGLY...

CAN
TURN INTO
EMISSARIES.



SOMETHING
BOTHERS ME,
MAJIMA.

HMM
...

I'LL BE
HONEST
WITH YOU
...



BUT ACTUALLY,
YOU'RE THE ONE
WHO NEEDS
HELP. AND
DESPITE THAT,
YOU'RE TRYING
TO KEEP THE
UPPER HAND,
AND IT'S NOT
TO MY LIKING.

YOU
PRETEND
THAT YOU'RE
GIVING US
SOME TIPS
FOR OUR
PROTECTION,
DON'T YOU?







WE CAN
ALREADY
CROSS OUT
THE PLACE
WHERE THEIR
FAMILY IS,
INCLUDING THE HOS-
TAGES...



RIGHT.
LET'S DRAW
UP A LIST
OF WHERE
THEY'RE
LIKELY TO
SHOW UP.

SFX: BADAAM



AND IN
PRIORITY...





KATO-SA...
**BEHIND
YOU!**

SFX. BOM



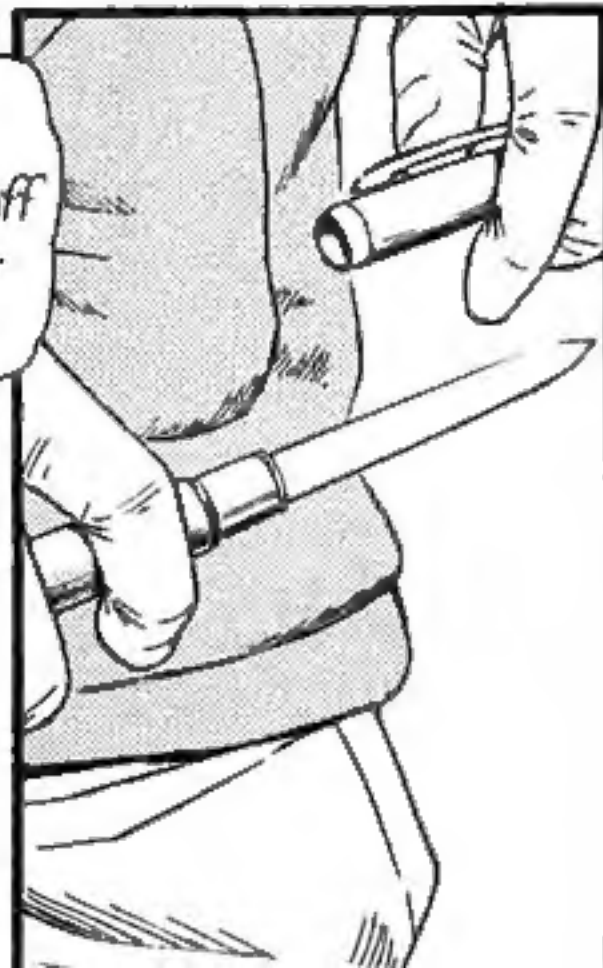
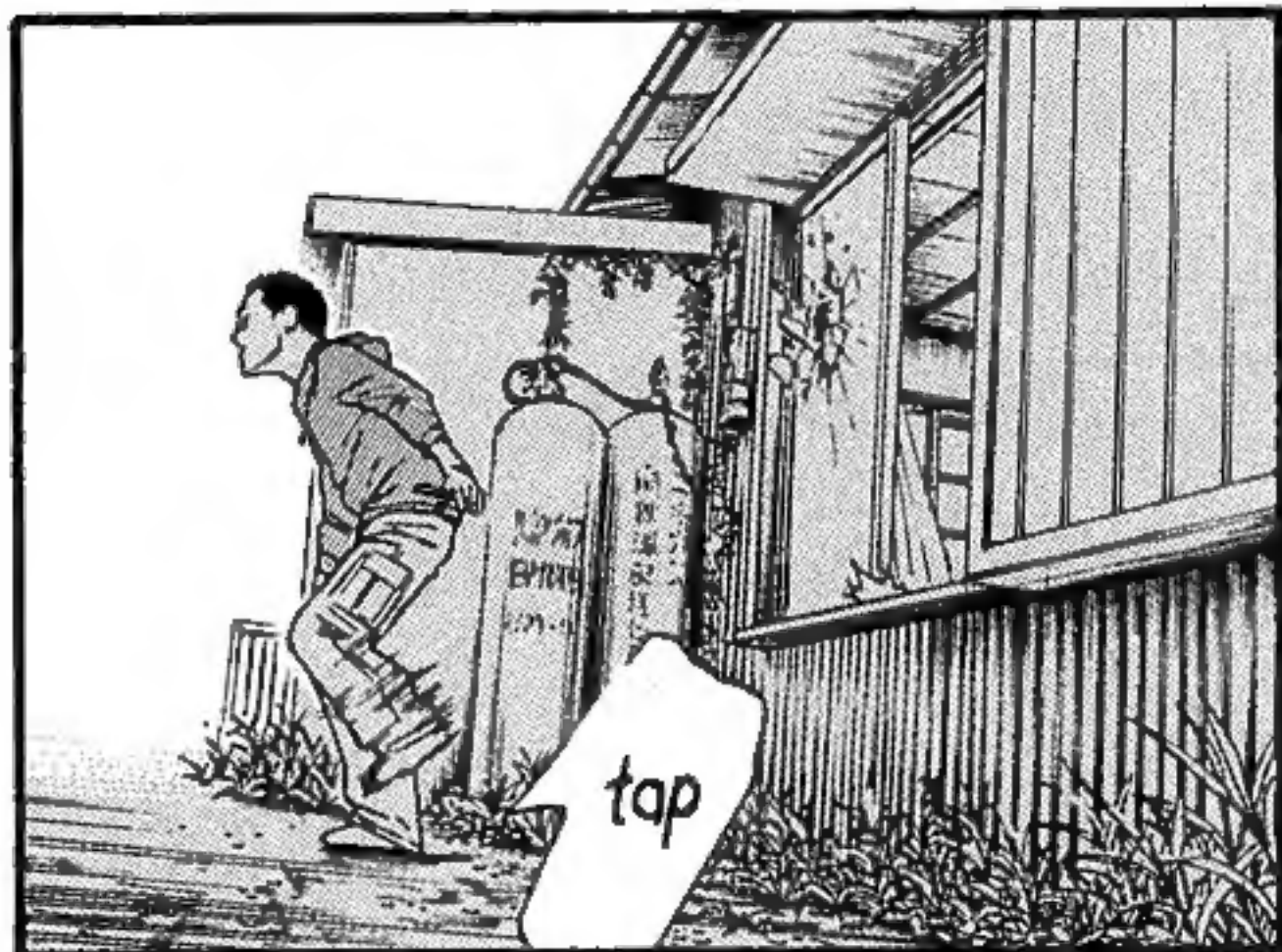


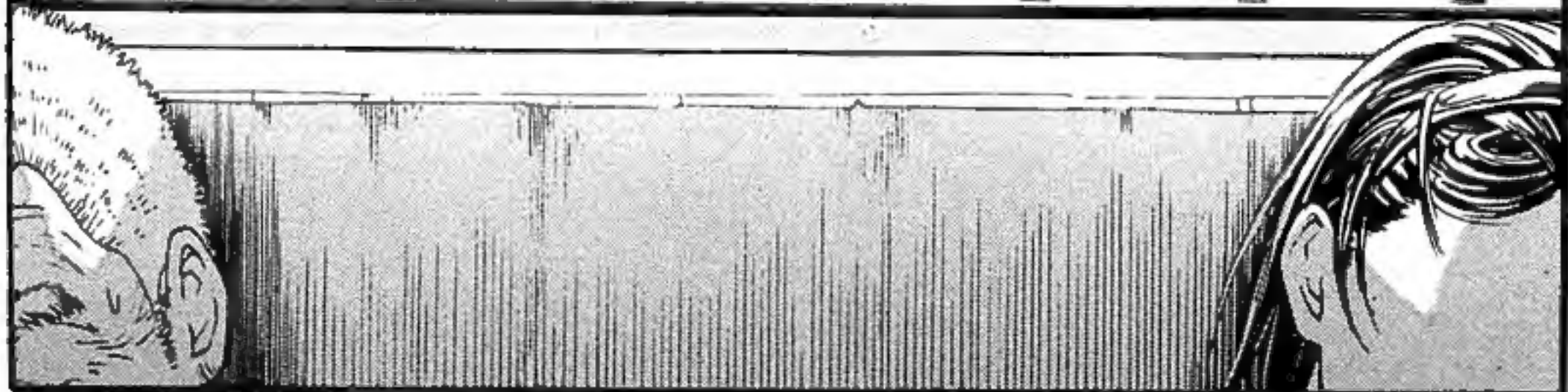
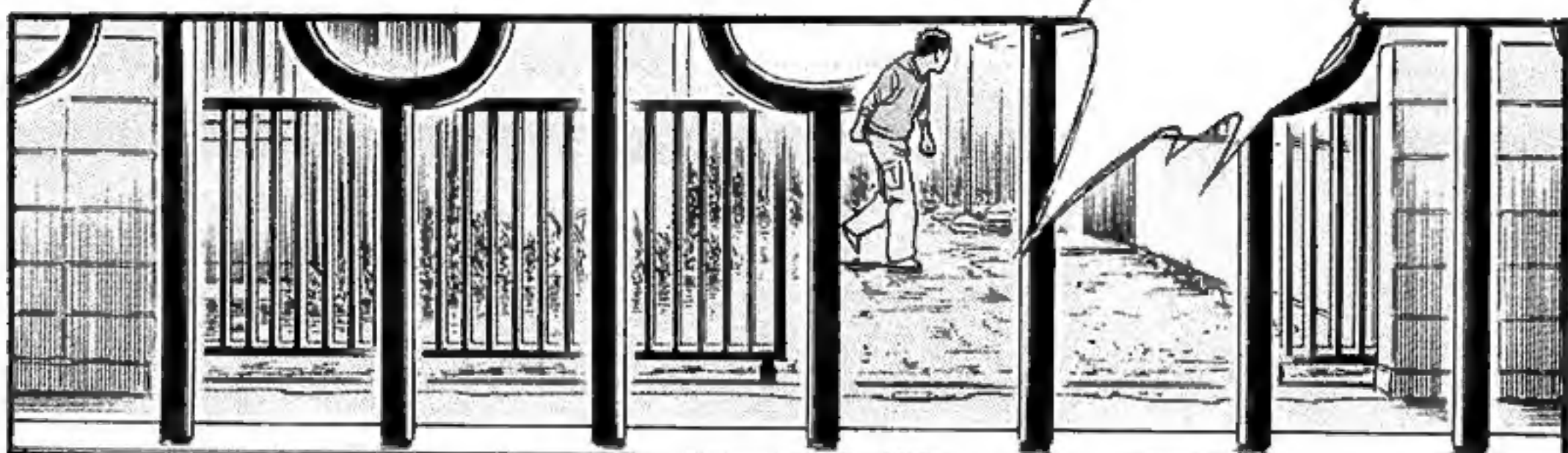
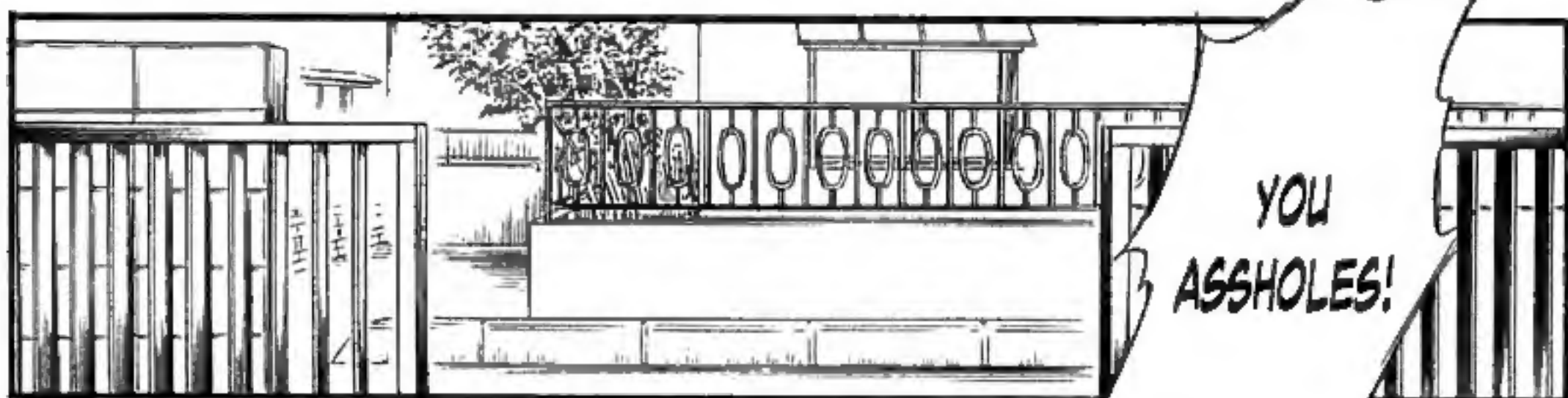
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SFX: HAA HAA

SFX: HUFF HUFF

